



WESTFIELD
BLUE DEVIL BANDS

Student Leadership Application

Thank you for showing interest in being part of the WHS Bands Leadership Team. Regardless of the outcome, we hope you will find the application process to be self-reflective and meaningful. If you have any questions about the process or your application, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Vitale or Mr. Sindorf. Good luck, and work hard to best represent yourself and serve the organization throughout this process.

Your candidacy will be judged on the following criteria:

1. Past performance
2. Quality of your application
3. Future leadership potential
4. Best fit for the individual and organization

When completing the application, be thorough, complete, creative, and honest. Don't say what you think we want to hear. Say what you really believe. Leaders are people who can offer something new and different to the organization. This application process is structured in a way to give you an opportunity to gain insights into yourself as a person, so please be honest and thorough. Whether you are chosen to participate in the position you apply for is not the ultimate goal of this process. Dig deep inside and strive to learn something new throughout this process, which should be about self-improvement, self-reflection, and learning about leadership. **Please do not fill out this application unless you are prepared to accept all outcomes of this audition process.** Drum major applicants should plan on attending the George Parks Drum Major Academy if accepted as a WHS Drum Major. DMA is offered at various sites throughout the summer. More information can be found at www.drummajor.org. NOTE – we will monitor how these events are affected by COVID-19 and work with selected Drum Majors to determine whether or not this will be required this summer.

It is recommended that ALL leader applicants attend the Dr. Tim Leadership Clinic offered by Conn-Selmer on April 14th at 7 pm. You can register to attend this virtual clinic by [clicking here](#).

Positions available:

- Drum Major (current sophomores AND juniors - we will have 3 again next year - 2 seniors and a junior)
- Brass Section Leader
- Woodwind Section Leader
- Drum Captain
- Front Ensemble Captain
- Color Guard Captain

Applications Due: All written materials must be submitted no later than April 23, 2021. Please be prompt and professional with your application.

When Submitting: Please make sure that all elements are enclosed in one package and are clearly labeled with your name. Any elements of your submission that you would like returned need to be labeled as such. All applications must be typed.

Dates/Deadlines

April 8th, 1-1:30 pm – Informational meeting (All Applicants)

April 23rd - Due date for written materials (All Applicants)

Week of May 3rd – Interviews/DM Conducting Auditions with Directors (All Applicants)

May 25th, 7-9 pm – Leadership Clinic (all selected leaders MUST attend)

August 17th & 18th – Leadership Training Days (all selected leaders MUST attend)



Full Name: _____

Position(s) Applying for: _____

Current G.P.A _____

All materials below should be turned in with this page as a cover sheet by April 23, 2021

- 1. Please provide a resume. Be sure to highlight your past leadership roles and experiences.*
- 2. On a separate sheet of paper please answer the following questions:
-What are your greatest personal strengths?
-What aspect of leadership is most frightening/intimidating to you?
-What are some areas that the organization could improve and how would you improve them?
-What do you see as our biggest struggle as an organization as we return to “normal” after a season of COVID-19?*
- 3. Interview someone on the WHS Campus (student, faculty, or administrator) and ask him or her for his or her views on leadership. What did you learn from your conversation? How did their view of leadership differ from yours?*
- 4. Share the recommendation link on the next page with two teachers in your current school building and ask them to fill the recommendation form out for you no later than 4/23. One of the two teachers must be a current teacher and both should work in the school you currently attend.*

Please understand that if chosen, you will be held to a higher standard of behavior, performance, and work ethic than your peers. You must be willing to make that sacrifice so that others around you may succeed. Serving in this capacity will not only provide others with a better experience, but will provide you with a tremendous growth opportunity that will serve you for years to come. All student leaders must be able to attend all spring rehearsals, the June mini-camp, the Summer Leadership Days (8/17 & 18), all of Pre-Band Camp, as well as Band Camp Rehearsals (dates are posted on the band website).

Student Signature

Parent Signature



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Student Leadership Application Teacher Recommendation Instructions

Each applicant should ask **TWO** teachers to fill out [this recommendation form](#). Forms must be filled out by April 23rd. It is the applicants responsibility to make sure the teacher fills out the form by the due date. One of the two teachers must be a current teacher and both should work in the school you currently attend.

Recommendation form link: <https://forms.gle/VsT39F1Fteoa2r12A>